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Introduction



- Common collaborative uses of the AG
 - Formal
 - Meetings, presentations, research, etc
 - -Lectures, seminars, training, demos, etc.
 - Informal
 - Brainstorming, Q & A, Interactions, etc.
- Benefits
 - Travel time, Cost savings, Productivity
- Requires Interactive Applications



Introduction



- Survey of shared whiteboard/presentation
 - Hardware
 - SmartBoard, eBeam
 - · Document Camera, etc.
 - Scan Converter
 - Wall Camera
 - Software
 - NetMeeting, InSORS, etc.
 - wb, Media Lecture Board (MLB), etc.
 - AG Shared Presentation, Browser, etc.
 - VNC



Limitations



- Both Hardware & Software
 - Scattered solutions
 - Not integrated with the AG
 - Not easy to use
 - –Not reliable enough
 - Less than perfect results
 - -Low resolution, Slow response time
 - Costs more money



Motivations



- Should Include The Best Features
 - Whiteboard
 - Hardware and Software
 - AG Shared Presentation & Browser
 - View Documents & Images
 - VNC
 - Jabber
 - AG-VCR



Motivations



- All-in-One Application
 - □Simple to use
 - □Integrated with the AG
 - □Fast response time
 - □High resolution
 - □Reliable
 - □Give users many features
 - □ Cheap
- Too GREEDY??



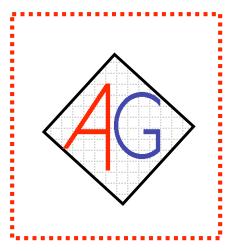
Program Overview



Combines Python and Java





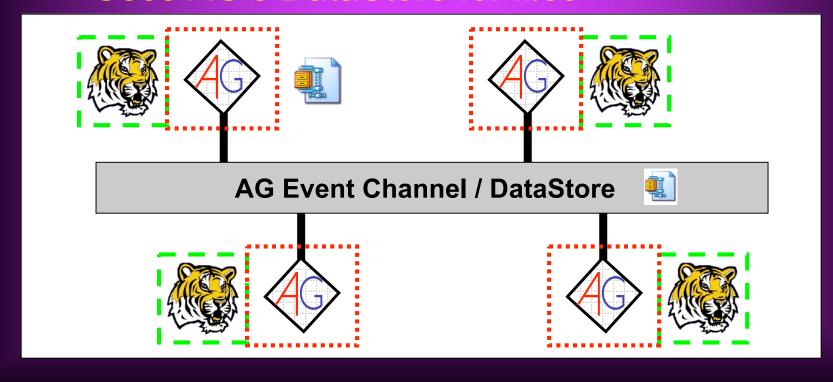




Program Overview



- Peer-to-Peer Architecture
 - Sends/Receives Messages
 - Uses AG's DataStore for files





Program Design



- All files saved locally
 - Works with PowerPoint and Word files
 - Imported as images or HTML files

















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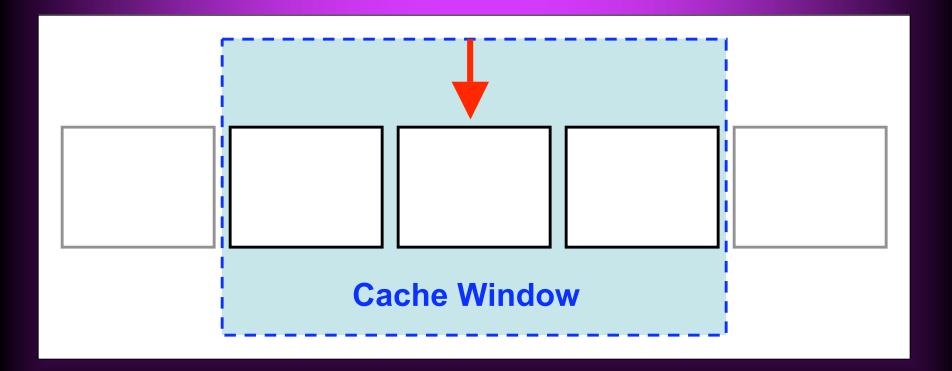




Program Cache



- Pages loaded as needed
 - Usually only 2-3 files stored in memory

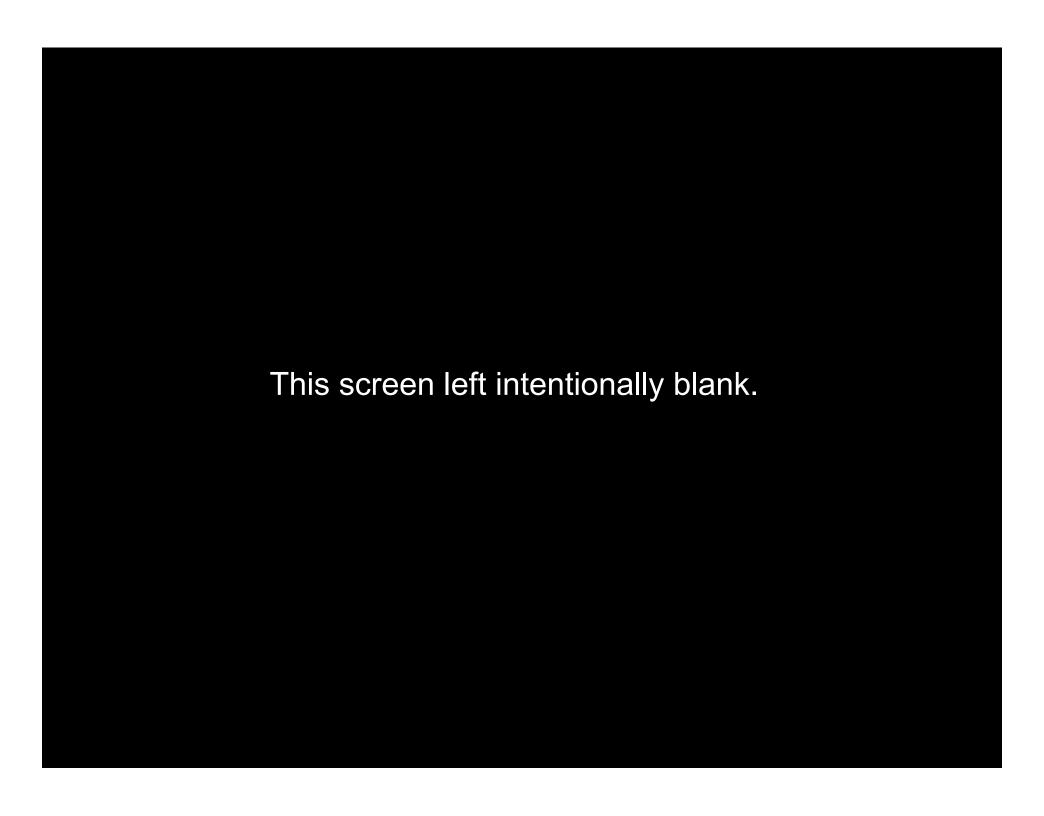




Demonstration



- Already done:
 - Whiteboard
 - Presentation
- Will demonstrate:
 - Load Images
 - File or Screen Capture
 - Load Document / Web Browsing
 - Replaying a Session
 - Saving / Archival
 - Recovering from Catastrophic Failure





Program Limitations



- Hardware/Software requirements:
 - Windows
 - Latest Java installation
 - AGtk 2.4
 - 1GB of RAM or more
 - PowerPoint & Word installed
- Other OS platforms coming soon...



Program Limitations



- PowerPoint related:
 - PPT should be loaded ahead of time
 - No animations / transitions
- Word related:
 - May loose original format
- Web Browsing related:
 - May not load up certain websites
 - Font changes may not always work
 - Only a viewer



Known Bugs



- Python related (AG):
 - Log file rollover problem
 - 10 MB limit
 - Not entirely thread-safe
- Java related:
 - Don't know...need more Beta testing.



Additional Work



- Port to other OS's
- Improve replay performance / features
- View PDF's
- View Movie files

Too GREEDY again??!!



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QUESTIONS

